GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA

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ORGANIC FOOD PROCESSING ZONES
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Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes run by the Government to set up organic food processing industries in the country;

(b) whether the Government plans to develop special Organic Food Processing Zones in the country including in the North-East Region;

(c) if so, the details thereof including the incentives being planned to promote such zones, especially in hill States including Sikkim; and

(d) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to boost agro-based organic food processing industry in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (DR. SANJEEV KUMAR BALYAN)

(a)&(d): For promotion and development of food processing industries including organic food processing industries in the country, the Government is implementing Central Sector Schemes for Infrastructure Development (a) Mega Food Parks (b) Integrated Cold Chain, Value Addition and Preservation Infrastructure, Scheme of Technology Upgradation/ Establishment/ Modernization of Food Processing Industries, Scheme for Quality Assurance, Codex Standards, Research & Development and Other Promotional Activities, Scheme for Human Resource Development and Scheme of Strengthening of Institutions.

The Government has launched a Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National Mission on Food Processing (NMFP) w.e.f. 01/04/2012, being implemented by the State Governments/ Union Territories. The components of the NMFP are
(i)Scheme of Technology up-gradation/ Establishment/ Modernization of Food Processing Industries
(ii)Scheme for Cold Chain, Value Addition and Preservation Infrastructure for Non-Horticulture Products
(iii) Scheme for Modernization of Abattoirs
(iv) Scheme for Human Resource Development
(v) Scheme for Promotional Activities
(vi) Scheme for Creating Primary Processing Centres / Collection Centres in Rural Areas
(vii) Modernization of Meat -Shops and
(viii) Reefer Vans /Vehicles.

(b): No, Madam.

(c): Does not arise.